

A Reflection on New Year's Eve 2024: From Curiosity to Unexpected Joy...

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From Midnight Prayers with Friends to Solitary Reflection with God.

In the past, my New Year celebrations involved midnight prayers, receiving blessed Bible verse cards from the church, and spending time with friends. However, over the last few years, my focus shifted primarily to solitary reflection with God. I no longer have friends or engage in prayers, and I've stopped believing in the significance of blessed Bible verse cards. Is this a sign of maturity, a loss of faith in others and everything, or a shift towards a more practical mindset?

At the start of the new year, my tradition of eagerly reaching out to my best friends at midnight gradually shifted to extending wishes to everyone. On December 31, I found myself alone in a church parking lot at 10:00 pm, contemplating my solitude and considering it as destiny 🧘. Initially, I had no interest in wishing anyone except Pradee at midnight, but after the wish, I decided to sleep. Despite being alone, I found enjoyment in singing 🎵 loudly along with the church 🏡 songs. At 11, Pradee called for a few minutes, then I was assuring another call at midnight. Initially viewing it as a relationship ritual 😄, the unexpected ten-minute video call turned out to be truly awesome 🥰. During the midnight call, I heard church bells 🛎 and fireworks 🎆 but couldn't see them. Pradee went upstairs, showing me the fireworks 🎆, people shouting, and the sight of the New Year moon 🌙. It was a wow moment 🤩, making me feel his presence. Beyond creating a scene, it felt like he was with me. Reflecting on my past curiosity about New Year, I now consider it just another day and year. However, the added joy from loved ones makes it special 🥰. New Year is merely a new phase with the same mix of happiness, struggles, sadness, and joy. Wishing everyone an unexpected yet joyous New Year. Feel free to share your experiences, and now I'm heading to sleep . Good night, Happy New Year and Good morning as usual... 😊





